



Northeast Montana Health Services, Inc.

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Letter of Appeal
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Fort Peck Indian Reservation
Poplar, Montana

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This is a Letter of Appeal for funding year 2010. On the Funding Commitment Decision Letter dated July 28, 2011 for FRN: 53968 and the Administrator's Decision on Rural Health Care Program Appeal dated September 16, 2011.

We request that the support end date be changed to June 30, 2011. On our Form 466 submitted on line June 22, 2011 on line 31 we showed this was month to month service. Our contract had expired December 5, 2010 and service is now provided on a month to month basis. Term number 7 on the contract with the service provider states "After the contract expires, the price per month per site will continue at the same price on a month-to-month basis until a new contract is signed by both parties or either party notifies the other party in writing that they will be cancelling the service." The Administrator's Decision on Rural Health Care Program Appeal letter stated "You indicated on the Form 466 in response to line 31 that the contract expired on December 31, 2010. Our Form 466 for 2010 line 31 shows month to month. It can still be viewed on the Rural Health Care website.

We have not canceled the service and continue to receive service on a month to month basis.

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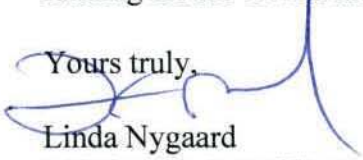
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We did post a Form 465 for this service for 2010 and specified we were looking for 100 Mb

service. No bids were received and we stayed with the existing service provider. The bills are evidence that the service is continuing. Line 31 of the form says Contract Expiration Date(mm/dd/yyyy or "Month to Month") It does not give instructions to do two forms 466's if the service changes from contract to month-to-month service. We would appreciate receiving funding for the 12 month period July 1, 2010 thru June 30, 2011.

Yours truly,


Linda Nygaard
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